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the inspection of passengers prior to embarkation, but to discontinue the listing of passengers for localities in Florida. The State health officer of Florida has been informed to the above effect.

Report from Matanzas—Inspection of vessels.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Nuñez reports, December 17, as follows:

Week ended December 15, 1906. Bills of health issued to 2 vessels bound for the United States.

No new cases of yellow fever have been reported in this province since November 30.

No communicable diseases were reported in the city during the past week.

Report from Santiago—Inspection of vessels.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Wilson reports, December 12, as follows:

Week ended December 8, 1906. Bills of health issued to 5 vessels bound for the United States; no vessel fumigated. No quarantinable disease has been reported.

INDIA.

Report from Calcutta—Transactions of Service—Cholera, plague, and smallpox.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Eakins reports, November 22, as follows:

Week ended November 17, 1906. Bill of health issued to the steamship *Axenfels*, bound for Boston and New York, with a total crew of 58. The usual precautions were taken—holds fumigated, rat guards on wharf lines, and lascars' effects disinfected.

Week ended November 10, 1906. Sixty-six deaths from cholera, 7 from plague, and 2 from smallpox in Calcutta.

In Bengal, week ended November 10, 1906, 73 cases and 66 deaths from plague.

JAPAN.

Report from Yokohama—Inspection and fumigation of vessels—Sanitary conditions good—Plague at Osaka and Matsuyama.

Passed Assistant Surgeon Cumming reports, November 24, as follows:

Week ended November 17, 1906. Bills of health granted after inspection to 5 steamships, having an aggregate personnel of 473 crew and 648 passengers. The holds, etc., of one steamship were fumigated to kill vermin.

Three hundred and eighty-two would-be steerage passengers to the United States or their possessions were examined with reference to their freedom from diseases contemplated in the immigration laws, and of these 222 were passed.

The sanitary condition of this vicinity continues good, and necessary restrictions are being enforced upon steerage passengers from infected districts.

On November 6 a boy at Osaka was found dead of plague, and later a cat with which he played died of the same disease. On the 19th instant 1 case was reported at Osaka, and on November 20 1 case at Osaka and 1 at Matsuyama.

PORTO RICO.

Report from Ponce—Summary of transactions.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Ferrer-Torres reports, December 3, as follows:

Summary of transaction of Service, month of November, 1906.

Vessels inspected.....	15
Vessels in quarantine.....	6
Bills of health issued.....	25
Passengers inspected:	
Incoming.....	18
In transit.....	441
Crews inspected.....	2,217
Immigrants inspected.....	15

RUSSIA.

Report from St. Petersburg—Plague in the Transbaikal territory.

The following is received from Ambassador Meyer, under date of November 24:

In a Cossack village named Abagaitoui, district of Akchin, in the Transbaikal territory, a family of 6 persons died between September 27 and October 19 last, with symptoms of plague, and in the village of Mandjourie, not far from the railway station bearing the same name, between October 22 and 26, 2 persons, a military nurse who had arrived from Abagaitoui, already in bad health, and a boy who accompanied him, died. It has been proved that the first fatal case at Abagaitoui was taken ill after eating the flesh of a marmot of the steppes (*Arctomys bobac*). Several doctors, one of whom was a specialist in bacteriology, were sent to the villages of Abagaitoui and Mandjourie. In conformity with the regulations in force relative to measures to be taken against plague, they decided to isolate Abagaitoui by a military cordon and to take measures to isolate the village of Mandjourie.

A bacteriological examination determined the disease in Mandjourie to be pneumonic plague. The examination of suspicious cases at Abagaitoui has not yet been completed. The military governor of the Transbaikal territory reports that no further plague cases or deaths have occurred since October 27 last.

FOREIGN AND INSULAR STATISTICAL REPORTS OF COUNTRIES AND CITIES—UNTABULATED.

AFRICA—*Lourenço Marquez*.—Month of October, 1906. Estimated population, 10,000. Total number of deaths, 44, including 6 from tuberculosis.